

PRESCHOOL 3s AND 4s

AT ST. FRANCIS PRESCHOOL



St. Francis Preschool is part of Grand Traverse Area Catholic Schools, a highly acclaimed preschool through grade 12 school community. It is affiliated with Immaculate Conception Elementary (PreK-Grade 5), St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Middle School (Grades 6-8), and St. Francis High School (Grades 9-12).

Experienced team of teachers and assistants

Loving, nurturing environment

Proven teaching strategies

Experienced faculty/staff

Daily literacy, math, and art

Music, Phys Ed and library classes

Coming soon:
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd religion program

Indoor/outdoor activities

Teacher-led and independent learning

Optional, chef-prepared lunch available daily

Part of an award-winning Catholic school system

Supportive community of parents/families

Hugs and prayers



A PLACE TO LEARN, PLAY, AND GROW

Your child is learning and growing at an incredible pace! Our preschool fosters their love for learning, and provides both the structure and the freedom that young minds need. It's a safe, nurturing environment where experienced faculty and staff will educate your child – mind, body, and spirit.

- Our school day is structured so that the majority of curriculum is offered in the morning, with opportunities for creative play, enrichment, socialization and exercise after lunch.
- St. Francis Preschool is located on the same campus as St. Francis High School, and is part of the same educational community and traditions.
- Teachers will coach your child to success appropriate for their age and ability level. The result? Kids who are confident and prepared for early elementary school.

HOURS

7:35-8:00 a.m. car line
8:00 a.m. school day starts
2:30 p.m. pick up

Optional after school care
St. Joseph Club
until 5 p.m.



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St. Francis Preschool (formerly Holy Angels Preschool)
123 E. 11th Street, Traverse City, MI 49684
(231) 944-7474

www.gtacs.org

Our PreK program is available at Immaculate Conception Elementary, along with grades K-5.

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MEET OUR DEDICATED TEAM



SARAH HARDY
**ADMINISTRATOR/PROGRAM
DIRECTOR/CATECHESIS OF THE
GOOD SHEPHERD**

Mrs. Hardy earned her degree in Early Childhood Education from Northwestern Michigan College. She has been teaching at GTACS since 2020. In addition to her teaching role, she has served as the Program Director for the past two years. Prior to teaching, she operated a successful in-home daycare for 17 years.



TAYLOR BENNETTS
3s TEACHER (M-F)

Mrs. Bennetts earned her Bachelor of Science degree with an emphasis in Child Development and Families in Society. For the past 11 years, she has successfully owned and operated a licensed in-home childcare program. Mrs. Bennetts is excited to bring her experience and passion for early childhood education to our preschool team.



CHLOE REAMER
SECRETARY

Mrs. Reamer holds a bachelor's degree in human resources and society from Michigan State University. She brings over seven years of experience in secretarial and human resources roles. For the past two years, she has also served as a dedicated teacher's assistant. In addition to managing her appraisal business, she is proud to share her time and talents with our joyous preschool family.



JULIE EGELUS
3s TEACHER (T/TH)

Mrs. Egelus earned a degree in Elementary Education from Michigan State University along with an Early Childhood endorsement. She earned her master's degree in Special Education from the University of Alaska. She has taught preschool, kindergarten, and 1st grade.



KELLY DACIUK
3s TEACHER (M/W/F)

Mrs. Daciuk earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Aquinas College. Mrs. Daciuk has been teaching at GTACS since the year 2000 – and preschool for the past 9+ years.



JILL TRAPHAGAN
4s TEACHER (M-F)

Mrs. Traphagan has her elementary education and early childhood degree from Western Michigan University. She has a wide array of experience in the various classroom settings. This will be her third year teaching at St. Francis Preschool.



STEPHANIE BRAJAK
4s TEACHER (M/W/F)

Mrs. Brajak earned a degree in Elementary Education from Ferris State University, where she was also a member of the women's basketball team. Mrs. Brajak has been teaching at GTACS since 2013. As a mom to three children who also attend GTACS, she feels truly blessed to be both a parent and educator in a system that nurtures the whole child.

**For more information or to arrange a tour, please contact
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